

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
DECEMBER 27, 2005**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, December 27, 2005 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor William J. Schmitt who presided called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor William J. Schmitt	present
Board member Victor J. Knies	present
Board member Thomas R. Schmidt	present

Also present were Police Chief Richard Gunselman, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, Personnel/Safety Director Charles Schneider, Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm. Building Commissioner David Seger and City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein were absent.

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that a majority of the board members must be present for a quorum. All three of the board members were present; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schmitt invited all present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 13, 2005. A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve the minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

SUBDIVISION PERFORMANCE BOND RELEASES

Mayor Schmitt presented performance bond releases for four subdivisions. The name and address of the developer is Kerstiens Corporation, 215 S. Mill Street, Jasper, Indiana. Al Mehringer, representative of Kerstiens Corporation, was present.

North Brook Park II

Mayor Schmitt presented a performance bond release in the amount of \$93,200.00 for North Brook Park II. The Mayor stated that the Building Commissioner has signed release on the water, sanitary sewer, storm sewers, site grading and erosion control and that a second bond in the amount of \$75,000.00 would be held on this development.

A **motion** was made by Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Victor Knies to approve the release of the subdivision performance bond in the amount of \$93,200.00 for North Brook Park II. Motion passed 3-0.

Silver Springs I

Mayor Schmitt presented a performance bond release in the amount of \$125,000.00 for Silver Springs I. The Mayor stated that the Building Commissioner has signed his release on the water, sanitary sewer, storm sewers, grading and erosion control and that a second bond in the amount of \$125,000.00 would be held on this development.

A **motion** was made by Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Mayor Schmitt to approve the release of the subdivision performance bond in the amount of \$125,000.00 for Silver Springs I. Motion passed 3-0.

Silver Springs II

Mayor Schmitt presented a performance bond release in the amount of \$70,000.00 for Silver Springs II. The Mayor stated that the Building Commissioner has signed release on the water, sanitary sewer, storm sewers, grading and erosion control and that a second bond in the amount of \$80,000.00 would be held on this development.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies to approve the release of the subdivision performance bond in the amount of \$70,000.00 for Silver Springs II. Motion passed 3-0.

Mill Creek Park IV

Mayor Schmitt presented a performance bond release in the amount of \$180,000.00 for Mill Creek Park IV. The Mayor stated that the Building Commissioner had signed release on the water, sanitary sewer, storm sewers, grading and erosion control and that a second bond in the amount of \$250,000.00 would be held on this development.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve the release of the subdivision performance bond in the amount of \$180,000.00 for Mill Creek Park IV. Motion passed 3-0.

PERFORMANCE BOND RELEASE GREEN MEADOWS ESTATES

Mayor Schmitt presented a performance bond release for Green Meadows Estates. The name and address of the developer is Brescher Real Estate Development 4966 W. 150 N. Jasper, Indiana, 47546. Mayor Schmitt reported that the amount of the bond was \$50,000.00 and that the Building Commissioner and Street Commissioner have both checked approval for this subdivision. Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm noted that the rest of the bond had been released earlier, but that a \$50,000.00 bond had been held for streets, storm sewer and erosion control.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies to approve the release of the subdivision performance bond in the amount of \$50,000.00 for Green Meadows Estates. Motion passed 3-0.

2006 SUPPLY BIDS

ITEM #2 – CONCRETE AND FLOWABLE FILL

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle presented his recommendation for Item # 2 of the supply bids, which were taken under advisement at the December 13, 2005 Board of Public Works and Safety meeting. Eckerle recommended accepting the bids from Central Concrete Supply and IMI Southwest for Item #2, concrete and flowable fill. He explained that he would like to accept both bids for availability reasons, but would take into account the lower bid from IMI Southwest.

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to accept the bids from Central Concrete Supply and IMI Southwest for Item #2, concrete and flowable fill. Motion passed 3-0.

During discussion, Mayor Schmitt stated that both bids were accepted for availability reasons and to keep employees from downtime if the product was not available from the lowest bidder.

ITEM #7 – TRAFFIC PAINT

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle recommended rejecting the bid from Sherwin-Williams for Item #7, white and yellow traffic paint, as the bid was deemed unresponsive.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies to reject the bid from Sherwin-Williams for Item #7, white and yellow traffic paint and buy traffic paint on the open market. Motion passed 3-0.

SHOP EXHAUST SYSTEM

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle presented two quotes for a shop exhaust system for the street department. Eckerle explained that he had sought a third quote from Exhaustomatic, Inc., but no quote was received. The quotes were as follows:

Automotive Resources, Inc.
\$16,600.00

Nederman, Inc.
\$21,229.00

Eckerle recommended accepting the low quote of \$16,600.00 from Automotive Resources, Inc.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to accept the low quote of \$16,600.00, including freight and installation, from Automotive Resources, Inc. for a shop exhaust system for the street department. Motion passed 3-0.

K-9 COMPENSATION AGREEMENT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Richard Gunselman presented a K-9 Compensation Agreement for the Jasper Police Department, which was tabled at the last Board of Public Works and Safety meeting on December 13, 2005. Gunselman stated that he has since discussed the agreement with the Mayor and one change has been made whereby the last line states that the agreement will be effective beginning January 1, 2006 and will end on December 31, 2006. Mayor Schmitt stated that the agreement would be for

one year to see how that would work out. There followed some discussion about monitoring any additional time for the K-9 Officer and school searches for drugs.

On **motion** by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies the K-9 Compensation Agreement for the Jasper Police Department was approved and authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with the K-9 Officer, Officer Stallman. Motion passed 3-0.

PROMOTION – FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang requested promoting Fire Fighter Chris Berg to the rank of Lieutenant, effective January 1, 2006. He said that Berg has been with the fire department since July 1990. Hochgesang stated that he did not plan to appoint a second assistant fire chief upon the retirement of Assistant Fire Chief Mike Oeding at this time.

A **motion** was made by Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Victor Knies to promote Fire Fighter Christ Berg to the rank of Lieutenant, effective January 1, 2006. Motion passed 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board, a **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:35a.m.

Mayor William J. Schmitt
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer

Cynthia Kluemper, Recording Secretary